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Organization and Mission -- Field

8 MISSILE WARNING SQUADRON (8MWS)

This regulation gives the mission, organization, and responsibilities of the 8 Missile Warning Squadron, Eldorado Air Force Station, Texas, and implements AFR 23-51.

1. Mission. To manage and operate the AN/FPS-123(V)4 radar to provide tactical warning and support attack assessment of a sea-launched ballistic missile (SLBM) attack against North America. Warning data are sent to Cheyenne Mountain Complex (CMC), Strategic Air Command (SAC), the National Military Command Center (NMCC), and the Alternate National Military Command Center (ANMCC). The unit also provides surveillance and tracking of space objects.

2. Organization. The 8 Missile Warning Squadron is a HQ USAF controlled unit assigned to the 1 Space Wing. Operational resource management for the unit is provided by the Commander, Air Force Space Command. Operational control is vested in the Commander in Chief, United States Space Command through the CMC or through backup command and control facilities. The organization structure is shown in attachment 1.

3. Responsibilities. The Commander:

a. Organizes, trains, and administers assigned personnel to accomplish the mission.

b. Provides administrative and logistical support to assigned personnel.

c. Establishes training and evaluation programs for operations personnel as directed by the 1 Space Wing.

d. Operates the radar sensor to accomplish the mission.

e. Provides data collection, processing, and reporting of operational testing and capability assessment.

f. Implements procedures for accommodating new mission requirements or system enhancements.

g. Evaluates and accepts on-site contractor performance in accordance with the contract.

h. Ensures adequate support is provided by applicable host-tenant support agreements.

4. Relationships to Other Units and Agencies. The Commander may coordinate with other 1 Space Wing units on matters relating to standardization and mission-related activities. The Commander may also communicate with other units or agencies on mission-related matters.

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1 Attachment
Organization -- 8MWS

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